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PART I.

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT.

Administration of Jails and Lock-ups.

READ—

Letter No. C. 12-39, dated 13th May 1932, from the Inspector-General of Prisons in Mysore, submitting the report on the working of the Jails and Lock ups in the State during the calendar year 1931, with the prescribed statistical returns.

ORDER NO. G. 384-97—PRIS. 70-51-3, DATED BANGALORE, THE 13TH JULY 1932.

Recorded

2. The total number of prisoners of all classes confined in the Jails and Lock-ups including 875 remaining at the end of the previous year, was 6,656. Of these, 5,770 were discharged, leaving a balance of 886 prisoners at the close of the year. The daily average number of prisoners slightly fell from 859.04 in the year 1930 to 854.11 in the year under report. The total number of juvenile prisoners under the age of 15 rose from 106 in the previous year to 115, of whom 26 were old offenders. The number of prison offences declined from 1,006 in 1930 to 951 in the year under review. The percentage of corporal punishment awarded to the prisoners for Jail offences also declined from 10.84 in the previous year to 5.99 in the year under report.

3. The gross expenditure of the Department was Rs. 1,35,105-2-7 against Rs. 1,41,565-6-11 in the previous year showing a decrease of Rs. 6,460-4-4.

4. The cash earnings from the employment of convicts on remunerative labour rose from Rs. 35,553-1-1 in 1930 to Rs. 38,091-13-10 giving an average cash earning of Rs. 74-6-4 per head of prisoners sentenced to labour as against Rs. 67 3 9 in the previous year. The total cost of maintenance of prisoners in the two Jails was

Rs. 1,06,287-6-3 as against Rs. 1,11,815-6-11 in the previous year. The average net cost after deducting cash earnings works out to Rs. 98-6-2 per head as against Rs. 108-0-10 in the previous year. This decrease in the average cost is due to the reduced expenditure under most of the heads as well as to increased earnings.

5. The health, discipline and conduct of the prisoners in the Jails and Lock-ups continued to be satisfactory throughout the year.

6. A sum of Rs. 56,467-3-4 was realised during the year from industries in the two Jails against Rs. 69,113 in the preceding year.

7. The question of converting the Mysore Jail into a District Lock-up, referred to in the previous year's review, was dropped as it was considered that the existing accommodation in the Jail, though it is in excess of present needs, might be required in an emergency.

8. Fifty-one long term prisoners were released on probation on the recommendation of the Standing Advisory Boards of the two Jails in Bangalore and Mysore.

Government regret to observe that no official or non-official member of the Board of Visitors visited the Mysore Jail and that except the District Magistrate of Bangalore, no other official visitor visited the Central Jail, Bangalore.

N. MADHAVA RAO,

Chief Secretary to Government.

DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT.

Vehicles hired for conveying Palace property.

Read—

The marginally noted Government Orders issuing revised rules for the sale of the right of collecting tolls at the toll-gates on State Fund Roads.

1. G. O. No. R. 4355-66—R. M. 5-29-43, dated 3rd February 1931.
2. G. O. No. R. 4730-42—R. M. 5-29-44, dated 20th February 1931.

2. Letter No. 2543, dated the 16—18th May 1932, from the Mysore Secretary to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, stating that the contractor of tolls at Wellesley Bridge and Paschimavahini insists on payment of tolls on hired vehicles conveying Palace property, as they are not exempt from tolls under the above rules, and requesting that the said rules may be so amended as to exempt vehicles hired for carrying Palace property.

ORDER NO. R. 336-48—R. M. 48-31-2, DATED BANGALORE, THU

13 16TH JULY 1932.

Government are pleased to direct that in rule (e) of the revised rules issued with the Government Order No. R. 4730-42—R. M. 5-29-44, dated the 20th February 1931, the words "or the Palace" be inserted after the words "belonging to Government" occurring in the 3rd line of the said rule. The rule as amended will read as follows:—

"No toll shall be levied for the passage of Troops or Military Stores or equipages or of Police Officers in Uniform on duty or of any person or property in their custody or of any property *bona fide* belonging to Government or the Palace, the proof of which should be established by the production of a pass or certificate from any Officer of the Department to which the property belongs, such Officer being duly authorised by the Deputy Commissioner or by Government to grant such certificates or passes. Such pass or certificate should be delivered up at the last toll-gate passed by the cart or carriage conveying such property before it reaches the destination noted in such pass or certificate."

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